# **Compute and Record the Amount Due Using Form 759**

# **Process**

PROCESS TAX DUE RETURNS IN THE LOCALITY

# **Effective Date**

01/01/2016

# **Purpose**

This task provides specific instructions for using the Memorandum of Assessment (Form 759) to compute and record the customer's amount due. The Commissioner of the Revenue's Locality Representative performs this task for each tax due return processed with an outstanding balance greater than \$4.50, with or without payment, by the Commissioner of the Revenue. The Treasurer's Office then computes and records any remaining penalty and interest that may be due throughout the year. The Special Notes and Procedure will assist you in manually preparing the Form 759.

# **Special Notes**

- The Commissioner of the Revenue's Office and the Treasurer's Office must perform this task in conjunction with Form 759 and the form's line by line instructions.
- The Commissioner of the Revenue Office should not complete a Form 759 for a tax due return (with or without payment) when the customer has indicated an amount for any of the following but MUST send the return and any associated payment to TAX for processing.
  - Consumer's Use Tax
  - Credit card payment
  - Amended Return
  - Contributions for Code 11, Code 71, Code 72, Code 73, Code 74, Code 81, Code 92, and any Public School Foundation
- Do not complete a Form 759 for tax due returns when no money was received and the outstanding balance is \$4.50 or less. The returns may be sent to TAX with a note requesting that the return be processed as "Direct File". Localities that capture all Memorandum Assessment information by their own automated system are not required to complete Form 759. The Commissioner of the Revenue and the Treasurer may mutually agree to enter a local item number on Form 759 for control purposes. TAX does not require or use this number. The Commissioner of Revenue's Office completes the monthly summary, Form 759-C, each month for TAX, DOA and the Treasurer's Office.

Please refer to Form: Form 759-C, Recapitulation Sheet for Individual and Fiduciary Taxes, and Instructions

# **Procedure**

# Responsibility

Commissioner of the Revenue's Office Locality Representative

### Steps

1. Access Form 759 in TARP to ensure the correct version is used.

**NOTE:** You may print and complete the form or save the fillable version to your computer and use the electronic version. Do not copy and use older copies of the form as this could result in problems with your Locality's Uncollectible List for the tax year.

Please refer to Form: Form 759, Memorandum of Assessment of State Income Taxes, and Instructions

2. Review tax due return with or without payment.

**NOTE:** The return will be reviewed in greater detail during the screening process.

- 3. Determine if the return information at the top of the return is complete.
  - Name
  - Address SSN or FEIN
  - Secondary Name, if applicable
  - Secondary SSN, if applicable
- 4. If information is missing or illegible, obtain the information by reviewing attachments or contacting the customer.
  - Review all attachments such as Form W-2s, schedules, etc.
  - Contact the customer by phone or e-mail to obtain the missing information.
- 5. Prepare the Form 759.
  - A. Complete Sections 1 and 2 following the line by line instructions for the form.

**NOTE:** You must use the most recent version of the Penalty and Interest calculation procedures in the form instructions.

Please refer to Job Aid: Calculate Penalty and Interest on Individual Income Tax Returns

- B. Make a copy of Form 759.
- C. Place the copy of Form 759 for the Commissioner's Office use aside.
- 6. Determine if there is a payment with the return.
  - A. If no payment was received with the return,
    - 1. Place the completed Form 759 aside for the Treasurer's Office.
    - 2. Place the return aside.
    - 3. Repeat this task for the next tax due return.
  - B. If all tax due returns have been worked, go to Step 8.
    - 1. If a payment was received with the return,
      - a. Determine the form of payment.
        - 1. If the form of payment is cash, follow your local office procedures for handling cash.
        - 2. If the form of payment is by check, verify the following:
          - Proper Payee
          - Proper Signature
          - Agreement of the amount expressed in words and numbers
        - 3. If the check is deficient, attach a note stating the deficiency to the original Form 759.
        - 4. Remove the payment from the return.
          - i. Document the payment information on the return.
          - ii. Write the amount of the remittance (payment) in the \$ field on page 1 of the return.



- iii. Mark the LTD indicator on the return.
  - **NOTE:** The LTD indicator is located in different areas for different Individual tax returns but is on Page 1 and in the lower portion of the page.
- iv. Place the return aside.
- 5. Attach the check or money order to the remaining three copies of Form 759.
- 6. Place the completed, original Form 759 and remittance aside for the Treasurer.
- 7. Repeat Steps 1 6 until all tax due returns are completed.
- 8. Prepare the Forms 759 for delivery to the Treasurer's Office.
  - A. Gather the completed Forms 759 from Step 6A1.
  - B. Gather the completed Forms 759 and the remittances from Step 6B6.
  - C. Place the Forms, copies and remittances in the designated location to be delivered to the Treasurer's Office following your local office procedures.
- 9. Retrieve the Form 759 copies set aside in Step 5C for the Commissioner's Office use.
  - A. Place the copies in alphabetical order according to the customer's last name.
  - B. File the Form 759 copies in the designated location in your office.
- 10. Retrieve the returns set aside is Steps 6A2 and 6B4 and prepare the returns for screening and document preparation.

Please refer to PROCESS: SCREEN LOCAL FILED TAX RETURNS - TAX YEAR 2017

#### Responsibility

Treasurer's Office Locality Representative

#### Steps

- 1. Receive the Forms 759, and payments if any, from the Commissioner of the Revenue's Office.
- Complete Section 3 of each Form 759 following the line by line instructions.
  Please refer to Form: Form 759, Memorandum of Assessment of State Income Taxes, and Instructions
  NOTE: You must use the most recent version of the Penalty and Interest calculation procedures. Please refer to Job Aid: Calculate Penalty and Interest on Individual Income Tax Returns
- 3. Process any payments received from the Commissioner of the Revenue's Office following our local office procedures.
- 4. Store the Forms 759 in the designated area in your office.

**NOTE:** The Treasurer's Office will retrieve Forms 759 for updating of penalty and interest monthly.

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